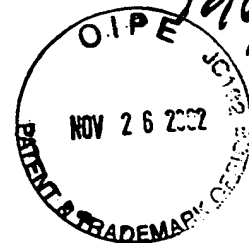


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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time in which to respond to the Non-Final Office Action dated May 20, 2002. The new period for response will expire on November 20, 2002. Authorization is hereby granted to the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to charge the \$920.00 petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) to Deposit Account No.05-0889. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

In the event that the requested extension of time is insufficient, please consider this a request for the required extension of time and an authorization to charge the required fees to Deposit Account No. 05-0889.

A response is being filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: November 20, 2002

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